Yolo Superior Court Celebrates Juror Appreciation Week

Yolo Superior Court will celebrate Juror Appreciation Week, May 10-14, to acknowledge the service and participation of the local community as jurors. The second week in May was established by a special resolution passed by the California Legislature in 1998 to recognize the important contributions of citizens who devote their time and effort in "making the cherished right of trial by jury a reality".

"We want all jurors and potential jurors to know how much your participation and contribution to our American system of justice is appreciated," said Presiding Judge Rosenberg. "Trial by jury is a cherished constitutional right and jury service is an obligation of citizenship. We value your service and your time at the courthouse."

In 2008 statewide, millions of Californians participated in jury service:

- Over 9 million people were summoned to jury service;
- Over 3.5 million prospective jurors were eligible and available to serve; and
- Over 3 million jurors completed service in one day.

According to Edwina Harper, Jury Services Supervisor, "We have some special plans for our jurors during Jury Appreciation Week. During the week of May 10 – 14, 2010, we will be serving healthy snacks, coffee, and juice in the Jury Assembly Room. Every juror who appears during this week will receive a Certificate of Special Recognition signed by the Honorable Ronald M. George, Chief Justice of California, and the Honorable David Rosenberg, Yolo Superior Court's Presiding Judge. In addition, we will provide a couple of fun Jury word games, Jury book markers, and various Jury informational brochures to hand out that we hope our jurors will enjoy."

For further information, contact Edwina Harper, Jury Services Supervisor at (530) 406-6824.

For information about California jury service, go to http://www.yolo.courts.ca.gov/JuryServices/ or visit www.courtinfo.ca.gov/jury.